

MESSAGE FORM  
TOTAL COPIES: 15

ROUTING AND/OR INITIALS - SEEN BY

S E C R E T

1	6
2	7
3	8
4	9
5	10

☐ INDEX☐ DESTROY☐ RETURN TO

BRANCH

☐ FILE NO.☐ NO INDEX☐ FILE OR CS FILE NO.☐ 2ND COPY

INFO:

FILE

VE

DDP 4/4/68 4/1/68

(classification)

(date and time filed)

(office)

(reference number)

S E C R E T

11 16 03 Z

CITE DIRECTOR

90530

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

SUBJECT: CLAUDE CHESTER MELAPEN, JR.

1. A SENSITIVE RELIABLE SOURCE IN MEXICO CITY REPORTED THAT SUBJECT, BORN 12 SEPT 1936 IN TEXAS, U.S. PASSPORT Z 155489, ARRIVED MEXICO CITY FROM HONDURAS ON PAN AMERICAN FLIGHT ON 8 APRIL. SOURCE NOTED SUBJECT HAD AMAZING RESEMBLANCE TO PHOTOGRAPHS OF ALLEGED ASSASSIN OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
2. ANOTHER SENSITIVE RELIABLE SOURCE IN MEXICO CITY REPORTED THAT MELAPEN DEPARTED MEXICO CITY FOR HOUSTON ON PANAM FLIGHT IN EVENING 8 APRIL OCCUPYING SEAT NO. 41. SOURCE SAW PLANE TAXI OFF WITH SUBJECT ABOARD. ACCORDING TO SOURCE, CAPTAIN OF THE PANAM FLIGHT (WHO RETURNED TO MEXICO CITY AFTERNOON 9 APRIL) REPORTEDLY SAID THAT SUBJECT ARRIVED IN HOUSTON.
3. THIS OFFICE HAS NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON SUBJECT.
4. THE INFORMATION IN PARA ONE HAS BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO YOUR BUREAU REPRESENTATIVE IN MEXICO CITY. ~~THE REMAINING INFORMATION~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL - INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN OTHERWISE~~

END OF MESSAGE

RELEASING OFFICER

COORDINATING OFFICERS

S E C R E T

GROUP 1  
Excluded from automatic  
downgrading and  
declassificationAUTHENTICATING  
OFFICER

7555

1	2	3	4	5

☐ DESTROY ☐ RETURN TO ☐ SEARCH ☐ FILE TO  
☐ NO INDEX ☐ FILE IN CI FILE NO.  
☒ STD COPY ☐ FILE

(classification) (date and time filed) (date) (reference number) (date)

PAGE TWO

CITE DIRECTOR 90530

~~APPROPRIATELY DECLASSIFIED~~

~~APPROPRIATELY DECLASSIFIED~~

C/WE/1 *W. J. Karpfman*  
 C/WE/R *R. J. Karpfman*  
 for CI/CPS/WE R JANSING  
 CI/OC *Richard J. Karpfman*

J. Roman  
 CI/LIA

RELEASING OFFICER

COORDINATING OFFICER

**SECRET**

GROUP 1  
 Excluded from automatic  
 downgrading and  
 declassification

*[Signature]*  
 AUTHENTICATING OFFICER

REPRODUCTION BY OTHER THAN THE ISSUING OFFICE IS PROHIBITED.

COPY NO.